

# I | FUND

## TICKET GUIDELINES FOR THE 2006 NCAA TOURNAMENT



The excitement, ticket madness and ORANGE surrounding the men's basketball team this season is unprecedented. As we prepare for the upcoming NCAA Basketball Tournament, we want to provide the guidelines for the NCAA post-season ticket plan so all fans of the Fighting Illini know what to expect if attempting to secure NCAA Tournament tickets through the U of I Division of Intercollegiate Athletics during March Madness.

### U OF I TICKET ALLOTMENT

The NCAA men's basketball tournament committee allocates a pre-arranged number of game tickets to participating schools, regardless of the school's geographical location or national ranking. Each school with a team in the tournament receives an equal quantity and quality of game tickets. At the University of Illinois, a percentage of the tickets are designated for sale ONLY to U of I student season ticket holders/Orange Krush, band and cheerleaders. A remaining portion of the non-student tickets are then assigned to player families, coaches and administration. This leaves only a portion of the non-student ticket allotment available for sale. These remaining tickets are then available to sell to I FUND members.

### HOW TICKETS ARE ASSIGNED

There are eight levels in the I FUND. We will begin with the highest level, Loyalty Circle Endowment. Those members of the Loyalty Circle Endowment who place an order within their assigned block of time will be prioritized, starting with the Loyalty Circle Endowment member with the most points. Tickets will be assigned until either 100% of Loyalty Circle Endowment member's requests are filled, or until there are no tickets remaining. If tickets still remain after all Loyalty Circle Endowment requests have been filled, orders from the #2 club, Loyalty Circle, will then be filled in the same manner. This process will continue, club by club, until all orders have been filled, or until no tickets remain. Based upon the expected demand for tickets from members, we anticipate running out of tickets prior to filling all requests from I FUND members.



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Athletic Ticket Office -217-333-3470 or 1-866-Illini-1

### PRIORITY POINTS

One point is earned for every \$1 donated to Grants In Aid/Fighting Illini Scholarship Fund/I FUND, since inception. Points will be calculated from all gifts received through **March 1, 2006**. Gifts received after March 1, although they will count towards fulfilling one's I FUND annual pledge, will not be included in the priority point totals that will be used for 2006 NCAA Tournament tickets.

### CONDITIONS

Customers wishing to purchase and leave tickets in another individual's name at Will Call may do so. However, the Will Call name must be provided at the time the order is placed. **Because of the short time available to allocate and distribute tickets, requests to sit with other members will not be accepted.**

### PAYMENT

Payment is required at the time the order is placed. There will be no "hold" orders. All sales are final once the order has been confirmed.

### DISTRIBUTION

No tickets will be mailed. Further details regarding ticket pickup will be given at the time the order is placed.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREPARE

Cheer the Fighting Illini on as we begin the toughest part of the season. Keep this guideline in a place where you can find it. Have your account number ready when you place your order at your assigned time. Attempt to be patient when calling the Athletic Ticket Office. **Remember: ticket requests are filled based upon priority, not based upon when the order was placed.**

### CURRENT I FUND MEMBERS

Make sure your I FUND account is paid and in good standing no later than **March 1**. If you want to enhance and maximize your priority points total, consider upgrading your account by making a gift online at [www.fightingillini.com](http://www.fightingillini.com).

### HOW TO BE AN I FUND MEMBER

As you can see by this publication, membership has its privileges, and what better time to show your support for Fighting Illini student-athletes? Join today at [www.fightingillini.com](http://www.fightingillini.com).

### HELP US SERVE YOU

Now, more than ever, it will be important to place all orders directly with the Athletic Ticket Office during the assigned block of time for one's club level. During March Madness we have a very short window of time and we ask all members to please follow these guidelines in order for our staff to perform an organized and successful allocation of tickets. Due to membership growth and the team's success, we expect to have a higher volume of ticket requests. Therefore, we do not expect to have the ability to solve as many last-minute ticketing requests as we have been able to do in the past.

### RELEASE OF RESPONSIBILITY

The University of Illinois and the Division of Intercollegiate Athletics are not responsible for any travel, hotel, or other expense incurred by customers in anticipation of receipt of tickets for any games of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament.

### QUESTIONS

Call the Office of Athletic Development at 217-333-6595, or the Athletic Ticket Office at 217-333-3470 or 1-866-Illini-1.



I FUND Membership and Priority Points (as of 01/06)

Membership Level	Number of Members	Priority Points Median
LC Endowment	62	131,000
Loyalty Circle	342	55,750
Block I	154	51,000
Tribal	547	36,550
Chief	1,147	11,100
Warrior	599	3,000
Brave	645	1,250
Tomahawk	1,145	400



# 2005-2006 NCAA MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TICKET GUIDELINES

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	NCAA 1st & 2nd Rounds Ticket Purchase Options NCAA School Allocation: 350 tickets	NCAA Regionals Ticket Purchase Options NCAA School Allocation: 750 tickets	NCAA Final Four Ticket Purchase Options NCAA School Allocation: 4,500 tickets
<b>LOYALTY CIRCLE ENDOWMENT</b> See attached form for pre-ordering options	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 13 from 9 am – Noon. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 13.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 20 from 9 am – Noon. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 20.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 27 from 9 am – 5 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 27.
<b>LOYALTY CIRCLE</b> \$10,000 and above See attached form for pre-ordering options	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 20 from 9 am – Noon. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 20.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 27 from 9 am – 5 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 27.
<b>BLOCK "I" COUNCIL</b> \$6,000 to \$9,999 See attached form for pre-ordering options	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 20 from Noon - 3 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 20.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Monday, March 27 from 9 am – 5 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Monday, March 27.
<b>TRIBAL COUNCIL</b> \$3,000 to \$5,999 See attached form for pre-ordering options	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 21 from 9 am – 1 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, March 21.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 28 from 9 am – 1 pm. <i>Placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls for this level will take place from approximately 6 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, March 28.
<b>CHIEF CLUB</b> \$1,000 to \$2,999	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 21 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, March 21.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 28 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls for this level will take place from approximately 6 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, March 28.
<b>WARRIOR CLUB</b> \$500 to \$999	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 21 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, March 21.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 28 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls for this level will take place from approximately 6 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, March 28.
<b>BRAVE CLUB</b> \$250 to \$499	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 21 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, March 21.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 28 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls for this level will take place from approximately 6 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, March 28.
<b>TOMAHAWK CLUB</b> \$100 to \$249	NOT AVAILABLE	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 21 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Please note, placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail those customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls will take place from approximately 6 pm to 8 pm on Tuesday, March 21.	2 tickets based upon availability. Call to order: Tuesday, March 28 from 1 pm – 4 pm. <i>Placing an order and providing credit card information does not guarantee tickets.</i> <b>CONFIRMATION</b> – Since the number of tickets received is limited and demand is expected to exceed supply, the Athletic Ticket Office will phone or e-mail customers whose orders cannot be filled. Calls for this level will take place from approximately 6 pm to 9 pm on Tuesday, March 28.

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Call 217-333-3470 or 1-866-Illini-1 or visit the Athletic Ticket Office at Assembly Hall. No mail or fax orders will be accepted after Feb. 22nd

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**FANS WHO ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE I FUND**  
Based upon the limited number of tickets available and the high demand for those tickets, the University of Illinois does not anticipate having an "open sale" of tournament tickets for any of the sites.

**PRE-ORDERING**  
Forms for pre-ordering process should have been received. The deadline for the pre-ordering process is February 22nd. For questions regarding pre-ordering prices please call 217-333-6595.